

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-02335-KBJ**

POBLETE TAMARGO LLP v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
STATE

Assigned to: Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 10/10/2018

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
10/10/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5729709) filed by POBLETE TAMARGO LLP. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Exhibit C, # <u>4</u> Exhibit D, # <u>5</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>6</u> Summons)(Poblete, Jason) (Entered: 10/10/2018)
10/11/2018	<u>2</u>	ENTERED IN ERROR.....RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. STATE DEPARTMENT served on 10/10/2018 (Poblete, Jason) Modified on 10/11/2018 (zmd). (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/11/2018		NOTICE OF CORRECTED DOCKET ENTRY: re <u>2</u> Summons Returned Executed as to Federal Defendant was entered in error and counsel was instructed file electronically the Return of Service/Affidavit after counsel has confirmation that the summons has been executed on the defendants. (zmd) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/11/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson. (zmd) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/12/2018		SUMMONS Not Issued as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney General. (zmd) (Entered: 10/12/2018)
10/12/2018	<u>3</u>	REQUEST FOR SUMMONS TO ISSUE filed by POBLETE TAMARGO LLP. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons US Attorney General, # <u>2</u> Summons US Attorney (DC))(Poblete, Jason) (Entered: 10/12/2018)
10/16/2018	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent) (zmd)

		(Entered: 10/16/2018)
10/19/2018	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 10/16/2018. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 11/15/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 10/16/2018, RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 10/16/2018. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate of Service Dept. of State, # <u>2</u> Certificate of Service Attorney General)(Poblete, Jason) (Entered: 10/19/2018)
10/19/2018	<u>6</u>	GENERAL ORDER AND GUIDELINES APPLICABLE TO FOIA CASES ASSIGNED TO JUDGE KETANJI BROWN JACKSON. The Court will hold the parties and counsel responsible for following these directives, and parties and counsel should pay particular attention to the Court's instructions for processing and production of records, batching motions, and filing exhibits. Failure to adhere to this Order may, when appropriate, result the imposition of sanctions and/or sua sponte denial of non-conforming motions. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 10/19/2018. (lckbj1) (Entered: 10/19/2018)
11/09/2018	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Jeremy S. Simon on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 11/09/2018)
11/09/2018	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Intention to File Answer by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 11/09/2018)
11/15/2018	<u>9</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 11/15/2018)
11/19/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall review this Court's <u>6</u> General Order and Guidelines Applicable to FOIA Cases, and promptly confer and file a joint proposed schedule for disclosure or briefing motions for summary judgment, on or before 12/7/2018. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 11/19/2018. (lckbj1) (Entered: 11/19/2018)
12/07/2018	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 12/07/2018)
12/07/2018		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the representations in the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before 2/1/2019, which shall include a proposed schedule for further proceedings if litigation is going to be necessary. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 12/7/2018. (lckbj1) (Entered: 12/07/2018)
02/01/2019	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 02/01/2019)
02/04/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the representations in the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before 3/15/2019, which shall include a proposed schedule for further proceedings if litigation is going to be necessary. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 2/4/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 02/04/2019)
03/15/2019	<u>12</u>	RESPONSE TO ORDER OF THE COURT re Order,, Set Deadlines, <i>Joint STATUS REPORT</i> filed by POBLETE TAMARGO LLP. (Poblete, Jason) (Entered: 03/15/2019)
03/18/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the representations in the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before 4/23/2019, which shall include a proposed schedule for further proceedings if litigation is going to be necessary. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 3/18/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 03/18/2019)
04/23/2019	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 04/23/2019)

04/26/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the representations in the parties' <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before 6/13/2019, which shall include a proposed schedule for further proceedings if litigation is going to be necessary. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 4/26/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 04/26/2019)
06/13/2019	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 06/13/2019)
06/25/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the representations in the parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before 7/24/2019, the parties shall file a further joint status report, which shall include a proposed schedule for further proceedings if litigation is going to be necessary. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 6/25/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 06/25/2019)
07/23/2019	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 07/23/2019)